



NSSC — Moving Forward

The NSSC Project Office is currently working out of offices in Washington, DC. Following Hurricane Katrina the team quickly re-grouped and began working on a recovery plan, which was presented by Rick Arbuthnot, NSSC Executive Director, to Mr. Paul Morrell, NASA's Chief of Staff. Mr. Morrell delivered the plan to the NASA Administrator on September

23, 2005 and Mr. Griffin issued his Go-Ahead that evening.

Doors Opening — Revised

The NSSC will begin relocating to Stennis Space Center (SSC) on January 3, 2005. The team is anticipating a Go-Live Date of March 1, 2006. We are expecting a variety of challenges in the areas of costs, schedule, staffing, and facilities, but challenges are merely opportunities for greater success.

Katrina Supplemental Appropriation

Returning to SSC will cost additional money, but we are committed to returning. The additional monetary need stems from the NSSC Project Office having to return to DC on TDY, the Service Provider temporarily locating staff and resources in DC, additional facility costs at Stennis for an extended stay in the Interim Facility, and increased

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recruiting and training costs. To help reduce or negate this addition to the Centers we are attempting to secure Hurricane Katrina supplemental appropriation funding.

“Returning the NSSC to Mississippi is the right thing to do-- every day, new signs of life appear and the people of Mississippi and Louisiana are eager to get on with their lives. We can help not only economically, but also by being an uplifting force to the spirits of the people of the gulf region who are working diligently to make something positive out of this very difficult situation. Let's join forces and together I know that we will excel at this opportunity!” Rick Arbuthnot

Transition Schedule — Adjusted

The revised, proposed schedule will be coordinated with the Agency Functional Leads and has been drafted so that it balances impact on the Centers and risks in the service delivery area. The delay impacts all three functions for three activities:

1. Finance — delay Accounts Payable / Accounts Receivable for 1 year (waves may be condensed to get back on schedule)
2. Procurement — delay Training purchases
3. HR — delay Off-site training

NSSC Employees — Current & Future

We realize the challenges we face in staffing and housing existing and new NSSC employees. We are exploring a variety of options for staffing including drafting and implementing an extensive outreach and advertising plan to attract qualified candidates, soliciting volunteers for temporary assignments, and allowing the fluidity for temporary employees to become permanent employees or return to their

Center of origination. We also realize the many obstacles we must confront to comfortably house current and new employees in the SSC area and we are exploring and discovering new options everyday.

NSSC Vision: Unparalleled Service

NSSC Mission: To provide timely, accurate, high quality, cost effective, and customer focused support for selected NASA business and technical services.

LA & MS Recovery Status

Check out the LA & MS Recovery Status on pages 2 & 3. Special thanks to Rocky Lind for pulling that information together for the Newsletter.

NSSC Facilities — Interim & Permanent

Currently, the SSC infrastructure is intact, the NSSC Interim Facility is available, and Mississippi is still committed to building the permanent facility. The Permanent Facility is expected to be completed in approximately 24 months.

Recovery of the Surrounding Areas



LOUISIANA

SCHOOLS OPENINGS

St. Tammany Parish schools: target date of October 3

Pope John Paul II High School: OPEN

St. Margaret Mary School: OPEN (will host students from Our Lady of the Lourdes School while Lourdes classrooms are being repaired from the storm)

SHOPPING

North Shore Square Mall is now open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. on Sundays. Department stores that are open are Dillards Men's, JC Penney and Sears. Dillards Women will re-open on October 12.

St. Tammany West Chamber reports the majority of businesses are up and running. Nearly 100 percent of North Shore, Covington and Mandeville businesses are operational.

RESTAURANTS

According to the Louisiana Restaurant Association, by Sept. 16 a handful of restaurants that had escaped severe damage were serving customers. More are expected to open soon, including some in the French Quarter. Restaurants can get up and running fairly quickly after establishing sanitary conditions and a steady food supply.

Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers - 18 of 21 company stores in Louisiana and Mississippi have reopened.

McDonald's - fewer than 100 restaurants remain closed.

Outback Steakhouse - will soon reopen four company-owned Outback Steakhouses in Louisiana and one franchised Outback Steakhouse in Mississippi.

HOTELS

As of Sept. 16, 12% of Louisiana hotels have been able to reopen. In New Orleans, the main tourist areas of the French Quarter, Downtown, and the Garden District/Uptown were among the least damaged areas of New Orleans, and should be up and running relatively soon.

Recovery of the Surrounding Areas

MISSISSIPPI COAST

SCHOOL OPENINGS

Hancock County School District: Oct. 14

Bay St. Louis/Waveland School District:
TBA

Harrison County School District:
Between Oct. 3 and Oct. 15

- Biloxi public School District: OPEN
- Gulfport School District: TBA
- Long Beach School District: Oct. 3
- Pass Christian School District: Between Oct. 3 and Oct. 15

Pearl River County School District: OPEN

Picayune School District: OPEN

Poplarville School District: OPEN

SHOPPING

Edgewater Mall: All department stores are rapidly readying their stores for re-opening. Sears has a prospective date to reopen a portion of its store in late September. JC Penney and McRae's are focusing on being able to reopen later in the fall season. Dillards is working on store restoration. Approximately 60% of



mall merchants have completed the clean up process and virtually all merchants are in the clean up and restoration process.

Crossroads Mall: Approximately 50% of businesses (6 restaurants and 12 merchants) have reopened with 90% targeted for reopening by Thanksgiving.

RESTAURANT OPENINGS

As of September 20, the Mississippi Department of Health has cleared a total of 587 coastal restaurants to reopen. Inspections are on-going.

HOTELS

As of Sept. 16, 21% of hotels along the Mississippi Gulf Coast were able to reopen.